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We had a lunch today for the Paul Reynauds, the William Pattens, the Ogden Reids, Janet Flanner (Gênet), Madame Bousquet, Jean Dom, Guérin de Beaumont, Madame Patenotre, and others. I had quite a talk with Paul Reynaud after lunch. He seems to think there might be a chance of his -- trying to organize a new Government. I told him what an unhappy impression would be created by a failure to organize one promptly, especially in view of the Bermuda Conference in June. He fully realizes how the fickleness of French politics is viewed abroad and how it has steadily diminished French prestige in the last eight years.

Graham Martin came to see me this afternoon about various administrative and other matters.

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